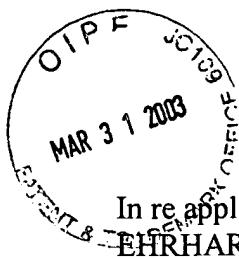


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Amendment and Reply Under 37 C.F.R. § 1.111 and 1.121

Honorable Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

In reply to the Non-Final Office Action (Office Action) mailed **December 31, 2002**, (PTO Prosecution File Wrapper Paper No. 9), Applicant submits the following Amendment and Reply. It is not believed that extensions of time or fees for net addition of claims are required beyond those that may otherwise be provided for in documents accompanying this paper. However, if additional extensions of time are needed to prevent abandonment of this application, then such extensions of time are hereby petitioned under 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a), and any fees required therefor (including fees for net addition of claims), and any other fee deficiency are hereby authorized to be charged to, and any overpayments credited to, our Deposit Account No. 22-0261.